

lip separating the packing protecting portion from the closed end of the cover;

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Q wherein said cover has a hole in a front surface and an engaging projection provided on an inner surface of said peripheral wall of said cover, and said engaging projection is configured to engage with a lock arm provided on the outer periphery of a connector, said cover is fitted to said connector so as to cover a front-end fitting surface of said connector from a front side of said connector and said packing protecting portion covers a packing exposed around an outer peripheral portion of said connector.

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D2 5. (Three Times Amended) A prefitted dustproofing structure comprising:
a connector provided with a packing exposed around an outer peripheral portion of a rear end of said connector and a plurality of electrical contacts located adjacent a front side of the connector for electrical connection to electrical contacts of a mating connector, each of the plurality of contacts including one of a male connection structure and a female connection structure, the connector including at least one separate electrical conductor extending from the rear end of said connector, the connector extending in a direction away from the packing, and said packing having a greater cross-sectional diameter along a plane than a cross-sectional diameter of the connector along said plane; and

a dustproof cover having a packing protecting portion provided by extending an end of an opening of a peripheral wall in a continual longitudinal direction,

wherein said dustproof cover is fitted to the outer periphery of said connector so as to

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cover a front-end fitting surface of said connector from the front side of said connector, and said
packing protecting portion covers said packing.
